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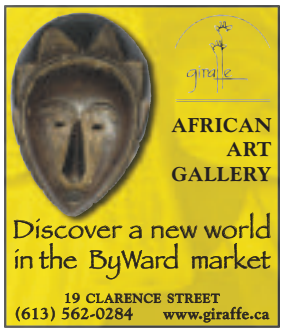

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Kate and Owen — third time's the charm?

Students feel safe: Survey

CARLETON A survey shows most staff and students at Carleton University feel safe on campus.

The survey released yesterday of 1,712 people — including 1,101 students and 611 staff and faculty members — showed that 82 per cent of students and 83 per cent of staff feel "safe" or "very safe" on Carleton's campus.

The study, done in January, shows "by and large, the majority of people feel safe on campus," said university communications director Christopher Walters.

Ninety-five per cent of students (93 per cent of women and 98 per cent men) "feel as safe, or safer, when on campus than when in the rest of the city," the study stated.

But 23 per cent of female students thought they were more at risk than others, and of these respondents, 85 per cent said it was because they were women.

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VW's style in a cute-ute

Campus bolsters security

Carleton adds more cameras, patrols in the wake of 2007 attack

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The Carleton University building where a female student was beaten and sexually assaulted nearly a year ago will now require swipe cards to enter — part of a package of campus-wide security measures announced yesterday.

More than 60 new closed-circuit cameras, eight additional emergency phones, increased uniformed student safety patrols, swipe-card access to the Steacie and Nesbitt buildings, and pedestrian light fixtures are part of a $1.6-million campaign designed to make the campus safer.

The incident on the 2007 Labour Day weekend — in which a 24-year-old woman was attacked while working after hours at the Steacie Building — gave the security overhaul "some impetus," but director of campus safety Len Boudreault said the school had been looking at beefing up security for the past five years.

"But when you get an incident like that, you do react to it," he said.

Boudreault said the student who was attacked graduated in June and that she remains in touch with school administration, but he refused further comment because it is a police matter. A sketch of a suspect was released, but no arrests have been made.

"I don't think anyone felt totally safe after the situation last year," said Carleton University president and vice-chancellor Dr. Roseann O'Reilly Runte.

The new measures stem from the recommendations made by an internal safety audit following the attack.

The number of CCTV cameras on campus now total 111 with more to come, while eight new exterior emergency phones bring the total to 22. There will be five new special constables, as well.

Security on call

- Carleton is hosting an awareness campaign to encourage students and staff to program its safety phone number (613-520-4444) into their cellphones.

Olympics **Medal haul**

JERRY LAMPEN/REUTERS

Priscilla Lopes-Schliep of Canada celebrates winning the bronze medal in the women's 100-metre hurdles at the Beijing Olympics yesterday. It was another productive day for Canadians, who won four medals to bring the total tally to 13. More coverage, page 10.

Cat and dog die in blaze downtown

DAMAGE Two household pets died in an early morning blaze that damaged a south-end Ottawa home yesterday.

Ottawa firefighters were called shortly after 4 a.m. to 6 Elliot Ave. just off of Main Street, where a kitchen fire had spread to the second floor of a two-storey house, said Ottawa Fire Captain Steve Rheaume.

It took 31 firefighters about 20 minutes to get the blaze under control, though crews were unable to save a cat and dog that were inside.

The fire caused a total of $200,000 in damage, including $150,000 to the structure and $50,000 to the contents. There were no injuries.

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French-language skilled trades get a boost in Ottawa
Construction of a French-language skilled training centre in Orleans took a first step forward after Ottawa's finance committee approved the donation of a $1 million parcel of land to La Cité Collégiale yesterday. The committee also waived $760,410 in development charges, to help the college build an $18 million centre for innovation at the intersection of Highway 174 and Trim Road. CITY OF OTTAWA

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Random home invasion

A 40-year–old Gatineau man was taken to hospital after he was injured in a scuffle during a random home invasion yesterday. A suspect banged on the door of 989 Hurtubise Boulevard and forced his way inside when the resident opened the door. A fight ensued in which "the suspect hit the victim on the head" before running away, said Gatineau Police Constable Isabelle Poirier. GATINEAU POLICE

ETIENNE RANGER/FOR METRO OTTAWA

Commuters disembark an STO bus on Rideau St. in Ottawa yesterday. The Gatineau transit authority has reported a record increase in its ridership, spurred by high fuel prices.

Gatineau commuters climb on buses as gas prices soar

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Gatineau's transit system bucked a traditional summer downturn, posting a record rise in ridership last month.

The Societe de Transport de l'Outaouais reported a 12.6 per cent increase in ridership in July 2008 over the same month last year — translating to 147,000 more bus trips over July 2007.

"In fact, the growth in ridership doubled compared with July 2007, when it was at 6.3 per cent," said STO chairman Patrice Martin.

The STO attributes the increase in ridership to the high price of gas that is affecting motorists, as well as rainy weather that possibly postponed vacations.

In addition to cash fares, STO saw an increase in the sale of bus tickets and smart cards. There were 1,350 more smart cards in circulation in July of this year compared with the same month last year.

The year to date ridership growth is 6.2 per cent, compared to the 2007 ridership growth of 3.2 per cent over that same period.

The growth in ridership has increased STO's fuel and equipment costs, but Martin said the organization is planning on adding 20 new trips to busy lines during peak hours in September, as well as more bus services in the Plateau and Manoir des Trembles neighbourhoods.

City urged to hire a high-tech adviser

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Fall return

- A report on the cost and the role of the adviser will return to corporate services in October.

Creating a "chief technology adviser" position will play an important role in implementing new e-government programs, according to a mayor's taskforce.

"He's not going to be the person who comes forward and says, 'here's a project we're going to tackle,' he's going to be facilitator, and a trainer," said Rob Collins, chair of the mayor's task force on e-government, in presenting the report's recommendations to a committee yesterday.

Collins said the position would not add more costs outside of one new salary and should bring cost savings through the projects completed by the office.

The taskforce recommends that the position be created for two years, after which, Collins said, the city will have embraced IT changes and the position will no longer be required.

Mayor Larry O'Brien said the technology adviser is expected to help council focus on high-tech investment and implementation, which are traditionally among the first cuts made when budgets tighten.

The adviser is one of several measures designed to help Ottawa make better use of technology, including a shift toward "paperless" council and committee meetings, establishing a tech committee and examining operations for where tech can be employed to improve service.

Prostitution blitz nets 20 arrests

SWEEP City police arrested 20 women during a prostitution sweep in four Ottawa neighbourhoods earlier this week.

Male undercover officers posing as johns arrested the women in Hintonburg, Centretown, the ByWard Market and Vanier on Monday evening. The suspects face a total of 65 prostitution-related charges.

"For a one-day project, the numbers are pretty high," said Ottawa Police Sergeant Kal Ghadban.

"To get that many in a single night not only shows how hard they work, but that problems still persist," he said.

One accused is also charged with trafficking cocaine when she allegedly tried to sell crack to an undercover officer.

None of the women arrested qualified for the pre-charge diversion program.

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Gatineau, A.G. end bitter dispute

AGREEMENT The embattled auditor general of Gatineau has agreed to leave her job, capping a long dispute with the city.

In a deal announced yesterday by the city, Sophie Lachance will leave by Aug. 29 and the settlement "puts an end to all … procedures", a Gatineau news release said.

No other details about the settlement are available. The city has six months to fill the position.

Lachance started as auditor general in 2004 but was fired last November after allegations of inappropriate spending of $4,000.

The Quebec labour relations board ruled that Gatineau did not have cause to fire her and ordered her returned to her position, with back salary paid from the time of her dismissal. She resumed her job in June.

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Groups cry foul at budget tweak

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Committee OKs

- The corporate services and economic development committee approved the new approach to developing and presenting the city budget yesterday.

Line-by-line city budget information should be available only by request — a new approach that some community groups say lacks transparency.

A consultant recommended that council condense the public document to 100 pages to avoid getting bogged down in the minutiae of the thousand-page text that is currently tabled, but Linda Lalonde, with People for a Better Ottawa, said a summarized budget would not adequately inform the public about municipal spending plans.

"What people want to know is, what are the programs in my community? What do they cost? Why are we doing this?" she said. "They want to know that the programs important to them are going to be funded."

A condensed budget document would be prepared in October by a working group composed of three councillors, the treasurer, city manager and a deputy city manager, then presented in November.

Cam Robertson, chair of City Centre Coalition, is concerned that a smaller group working with information not readily available to the public lacks transparency, and that councillors on the working group could unduly influence the budget.

"You can have councillor A, who wants money spent on project X, and if councillor A is on the inside group, it has a better chance of getting into the budget," he said. "If it is not transparent that's going to create a new kind of chaos that is worse than what they had. People will not put up with that."

New ID system in place in Ottawa

The toughest system of identification checks for age-restricted products in Canada is now fully in place in Ottawa. The "We Expect ID" program is an age-verification system to prevent youth from getting access to restricted products sold through convenience stores. SOURCE: CANADIAN CONVENIENCE STORE ASSOCIATION

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A stilted approach to walking real tall

CityScapes

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Usually, I'm pretty content to be who I am.

Every so often, though, I think how nice it would be not to have to climb a chair to reach the top cupboard, or automatically have to shorten all pants, including capris.

Laura Astwood made my dream of being taller come true — if only briefly.

Astwood's first experience with stilts was at age six, when her father built her a pair for fun. By the time she saw a Winnipeg theatre company use stilts in the early '90s, any thought of her childhood toy was at the back of her mind. But she had never seen stilts used like that before and it blew her mind.

Now president of the Ottawa Stilt Union, you might have seen Astwood, a performer, at festivals or practising in parks. She uses stilts that are more flexible than that first childhood pair — shoes attached to the top of four-foot poles, with short extensions that allow her to brace her legs during her performances.

"I think the element of visual surprise is valuable in theatre," she said. "It's startling. It makes you go, 'Wow.' Instead of intellectualizing, it gives people the opportunity to be surprised and delighted."

Laura Astwood

Over at Bingham Park, Astwood straps the stilts onto my feet, binding them tight with long strips of cloth. I'm going to give them a test walk.

Holding onto both of her hands, I slowly (and shakily) rise to a standing position. Stilting, I soon realize, takes a lot of strength, especially in the hips and upper thighs.

I'm really unstable, like that Salvador Dali painting of the elephant on toothpick legs. But if I fall, I figure I can always turn the stilts into crutches.

"You have to make a leap of faith at the beginning," said Astwood.

If you think of yourself as fragile, you have to work harder to be a successful stilt walker, she said, adding, "If you think of yourself as sturdy, it's easier."

The old adage about those who are tall having further to fall occurs to me and I envision smashing my head open. Fortunately, Astwood is patient. She loves to teach people, she said, especially young women.

"I love it when they go from feeling kind of small to big and strong," said Astwood. "I love it when people realize what's possible.

"There's something empowering about gaining control and rising above the fear."

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Scammer cashing in on Greyhound murder

Friends of Tim McLean, who was stabbed to death and beheaded on a Greyhound bus in Manitoba in late July, say someone has been posing as his sister to solicit donations, CBC News Online reports. The scam was discovered when McLean's real sister Amanda discovered someone was using her name to collect money. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Canada

McGuinty to pressure feds

Premier Dalton McGuinty said yesterday he plans to aggressively inject himself into the federal election campaign expected this fall by urging Harper, Dion and Layton to address two long-standing areas of contention between Queen's Park and Ottawa: Increasing Ontarians' employment insurance benefits to national levels; and immediately funding the Canada Health Transfer on a per-capita basis in Ontario instead of phasing it in by 2014-15. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Harper will talk to 'other parties'

PM again muses about calling an election

Prime Minister Stephen Harper and Liberal Leader Stéphane Dion traded barbs and speculated about a fall election yesterday, although neither would say when, or if, the government will fall.

Harper chided the Liberals for waffling on election threats and said he will consult the other parties on whether it's time to bring down his own government.

Harper then repeated his own election threat.

"The fact of the matter is that what I will have to decide over the next few weeks is whether ... the government, a government, needs a new mandate," he said in Hamilton.

"Canadians are telling me now, more than before, 'we're ready for an election."
Stephane Dion

Dion "has indicated that the government should be defeated, but he's not sure when he'll do that because he hasn't got good enough polls," Harper added. "I don't think that's a particularly responsible position."

At a press conference in Ottawa, Dion said Canadians are ready for an election and that he's ready to replace a prime minister he says can't be believed or trusted.

"Many Canadians are telling me now, more than before, 'we're ready for an election,'" Dion said. "You understand my job is not (like the New Democrats and Bloc Quebecois) ..... only to protest, my job is to replace and timing is important in politics," he added.

In Hamilton, Harper said he'll do a "thorough evaluation of the situation" in the course of which he will talk to "some of the other parties." TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Ottawa **Terror trial**

REUTERS/CHRIS WATTIE

Momin Khawaja, left, is transported from the Ottawa courthouse yesterday following a day of hearings. Khawaja, a Canadian software developer, is accused of helping plan bomb attacks in Britain.

News in brief

PRIVACY Jennifer Stoddart, Canada's privacy commissioner, is proposing radical changes to the long-standing rule that courts are open to public scrutiny. Under the proposal, names and personal information would be removed from judge's decisions and case information posted on the Internet. Initials — "hopefully reversed initials" — would replace actual names as part of the "anonymizing" process, she said.

NATO Canada's relations with Russia over disputed Arctic territory could become frostier as NATO members seek to discipline the country for its invasion of Georgia, a top aide to Prime Minister Stephen Harper said. This comes after a meeting of the alliance in Brussels where foreign ministers declared that a "business as usual" relationship with Russia cannot continue. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Chretien's comments 'hypocritical,' PM says

POLITICS Prime Minister Stephen Harper says Jean Chrétien is "hypocritical" in his criticism of the Conservative approach to China.

Smarting from Chrétien's scolding this week in Quebec that Harper's failure to go to China risks hurting Canadian business interests, the Prime Minister himself pushed back hard.

At a news conference in Hamilton, Harper dismissed the significance of his absence at an Olympics attended by about 80 world leaders including U.S. President George W. Bush, who made time to mix sport and politics in Beijing.

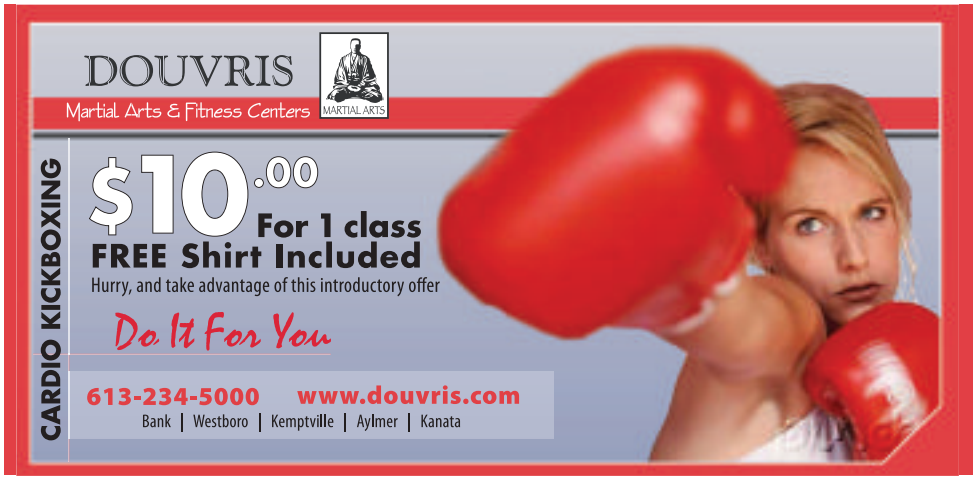
"I don't always do what Mr. Bush does," Harper told reporters.

"And I would just point out that Mr. Chrétien almost never attended Olympics when he was Prime Minister ... so Mr. Chrétien is being a bit hypocritical."

"I don't always do what Mr. Bush does."
Stephen Harper

Chrétien's comments came in Quebec City where he accused Harper of failing to nurture Canada's relationship with the economic powerhouse that China has become.

Chrétien said he and Harper's other predecessors did not masquerade as the "nouveau petit chien des États-Unis" — the newest lapdog of the U.S. "We all had an attitude that was independent," Chrétien said. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE



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New book on Bush by journalist Bob Woodward

U.S. journalist Bob Woodward, best known for his investigations into the Watergate scandal, will release his fourth book on President George W. Bush on Sept. 8, entitled The War Within: A Secret White House History 2006-2008. REUTERS

World/Business

Russia drags its heels

A column of Russian tanks and armoured vehicles left the Georgian town of Gori yesterday, but NATO said it was freezing contacts with Moscow until all Russian forces were out of the Black Sea state.

Western powers have called for an immediate withdrawal of Russian troops from core Georgia under a ceasefire plan that ended 10 days of fighting over the rebel province of South Ossetia.

NATO ministers backed this demand with a freeze on contacts, but did not announce moves to speed up Georgian accession to the military alliance, as Tbilisi had hoped.

Russian President Dmitry Medvedev has said that Russian forces would by Aug. 22 pull back to the positions set out under the French-brokered ceasefire.

It would require most of them to withdraw to Russia or South Ossetia but the deal allows parts of the force to remain in a buffer zone around the breakaway region.

U.S. officials said they had not seen any substantial withdrawal so far.

In Gori, on Georgia's main east-west highway, six Russian armoured personnel carriers, three tanks and two other vehicles drove out. A Russian Foreign Ministry official said it was one of the first units to be pulled out.

But close by, Russian troops could be seen digging trenches near artillery positions while paratroopers sunbathed. REUTERS

UN resolution

The UN Security Council met yesterday to discuss a resolution demanding a ceasefire, the return of Georgian forces to their bases and Russia's immediate withdrawal to lines held before the conflict.

News in brief

MOSCOW Mikhail Mukasei, a well-decorated Soviet spy code-named "Zephyr" who worked undercover in Europe and the United States for more than a quarter of a century has died at age 101, Russia's foreign intelligence agency (SVR) said yesterday. During World War II, Mukasei gathered "highly valued" information linked to Japan's wartime threat to the Soviet Union.

CAIRO A massive fire gutted the main building of Egypt's upper house of parliament yesterday, injuring 10. More than a dozen fire engines and helicopters were called to the scene. State-run media said the cause was probably a short-circuit. REUTERS

Pakistani coalition bickering

ISLAMABAD A day after President Pervez Musharraf quit, Pakistan's fractious coalition government squabbled over the judiciary and a suicide bomb killed 25 people, underscoring the challenges they face.

Coalition leaders, who opposed Musharraf, met to tackle pressing economic and security problems and to discuss a new president, but got bogged down over the fate of judges Musharraf purged last year.

The bickering, and the prospects of more to come, are likely to dismay investors and allies. "If they cannot agree on the restoration of the judges ... clearly something is not right with the coalition," said analyst Farid Khan.

ATHAR HUSSAIN/REUTERS

Lawyers celebrate Musharraf's resignation in Karachi yesterday.

In northern Pakistan, a Taliban bomber struck a hospital as Shi'ite Muslims protested. REUTERS

Business

Russian-Canadian energy deals at risk

Prime Minister Stephen Harper allowed yesterday for the possibility of commercial natural gas deals with Russia being put at risk by Russia's military actions in neighbouring Georgia.

Asked if such deals could be at risk, Harper said: "We're examining obviously all aspects of our relationship. We're obviously focusing on aspects that have to do with the strategic and military situation, but we will of course review everything."

In May, Russia's Gazprom, the world's largest natural gas company, announced it was joining Enbridge Inc, Gaz Metro and Gaz de France in developing an $840 million Cdn liquefied natural gas project in Quebec

The project would see Gazprom take an unspecified stake in the Rabaska LNG terminal on the St. Lawrence River at Levis, across from Quebec City.

The 500-million cubic feet of gas a day from the plant would supply the Quebec and Ontario markets.

The project is scheduled to go ahead in 2014. REUTERS

Newfoundland, Chevron to ink deal

ENERGY Newfoundland and Chevron Corp. will sign a deal today to develop the $6-billion Hebron oil field, the province's fourth offshore producing project.

The formal deal comes a year after Premier Danny Williams and the oil companies agreed to give Newfoundland a 4.9 per cent stake in the field for $110 million. REUTERS

In brief

ENERGY Google Inc. is investing $10 million US to produce electricity from underground heat with a breakthrough technology called enhanced geothermal systems.

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10 French soldiers killed in ambush

PARIS French President Nicolas Sarkozy prepared to fly to Afghanistan a day after after 10 French soldiers were killed and 21 wounded in a clash with Taliban, and declared France remained committed to its mission there.

"The cause is just. It is an honour for France and its army to defend it," Sarkozy said in a statement.

The soldiers were killed Monday when their unit was ambushed on a reconnaissance mission east of Kabul. REUTERS

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Cobourne captures weekly CFL honours

Three Montreal Alouettes, including running back Avon Cobourne, were among those selected as the CFL's top players for Week 8. The defensive prize went to Montreal defensive tackle Keron Williams. Toronto's Dominique Dorsey captured the special teams honor. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Sports

Red Sox' Beckett to miss next start

Boston Red Sox starting pitcher Josh Beckett, left, will miss his scheduled start against the Blue Jays on Saturday because of numbness in the pinky and ring finger on his right hand. The 28-year-old righty confirmed he has persevered through the injury for most of the season and felt he needed some time off. Beckett was roughed up for eight runs on eight hits in less than three innings against Toronto on Sunday, and is just 2-4 in his last six starts. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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Canada wins, but eliminated

BASEBALL Canada's entry at the Little League World Series finally has its first win. Trailing 5-2 in the bottom of the sixth inning, the squad from B.C. rallied for five runs en route to a 7-5 win over Saudi Arabia. They finish the round robin portion of the tournament at 1-2, which is not good enough to qualify for a spot in today's semifinal.

SCOTT RINTOUL/FOR METRO CANADA

Sports in brief

MLB Baltimore Orioles closer George Sherrill was placed on the 15-day disabled list yesterday with left shoulder inflammation. Sherrill, Baltimore's only representative at this year's All Star Game, is 3-5 with a 4.47 earned-run average and 31 saves in 53 appearances this season. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Jays topple Yankees

Blue Jays 2 Yankees 1

The Toronto Blue Jays took advantage of misplayed ball by Yankees centre-fielder Johnny Damon to defeat New York 2-1 last night.

Toronto starter A.J. Burnett (16-9) tossed a gem, going eight innings, allowing only five hits, while striking out 13.

The only run he allowed was in the first inning. He walked the lead-off hitter Damon, who scored on a double by Bobby Abreu.

The Jays weren't able to solve Yankees starting pitcher Darrell Rasner until the seventh inning.

Adam Lind continued his hot play hitting a solo home run to tie the game. It was Lind's third game in a row with a home run.

AARON VINCENT ELKAIM/TORSTAR

Toronto Blue Jays starter A.J. Burnett pitched eight innings, allowing only five hits and one run while striking out 13 batters to lead the Jays to a 2-1 win over the New York Yankees last night.

One inning later Joe Inglett got a two-out single off of reliever Jose Veras. Marco Scutaro then hit a deep fly ball to centre-field that went off of Damon's glove and allowed Inglett to score the winning run.

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MLB

LAST NIGHT'S RESULTS

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Boston 7 Baltimore 2
Cleveland 9 Kansas City 4
Toronto 2 N.Y. Yankees 1
Tampa Bay 4 L.A. Angels 2
Detroit at Texas
Oakland at Minnesota
Seattle at Chicago White Sox

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Philadelphia 5 Washington 4
N.Y. Mets 7 Atlanta 3
Houston at Milwaukee
Cincinnati 5 Chicago Cubs 0
Pittsburgh at St. Louis
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TODAY'S GAMES

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Oakland at Minnesota, 1:10
Seattle at Chicago White Sox, 2:05
Boston at Baltimore, 7:05
Kansas City at Cleveland, 7:05
N.Y. Yankees at Toronto, 7:07
L.A. Angels at Tampa Bay, 7:10
Detroit at Texas, 8:05

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Houston at Milwaukee, 2:05
Washington at Philadelphia, 7:05
Atlanta at N.Y. Mets, 7:10
Cincinnati at Chicago Cubs, 8:05
Pittsburgh at St. Louis, 8:15
San Diego at Arizona, 9:40
Colorado at L.A. Dodgers, 10:10
Florida at San Francisco, 10:15

CFL

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	T	PTS
Montreal	5	3	0	10
Toronto	3	5	0	6
Hamilton	2	6	0	4
Winnipeg	2	6	0	4

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	T	PTS
Saskatchewan	6	1	0	12
Edmonton	4	3	0	8
Calgary	4	3	0	8
B.C.	4	3	0	8

WEEK 9

TOMORROW'S GAME

Saskatchewan at Edmonton, 9

FRIDAY'S GAME

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BASEBALL

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Canoe-kayak

Canadian Adam van Koeverden got the defence of his Olympic K-1 500 metres title off to the perfect start yesterday, beating his own world best time by winning the first heat of the day in 1:35.554. REUTERS

Beijing Games

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Despatie exceeds expectations

Canadian diver overcomes injury to snatch silver in Beijing

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Members of the Canadian Olympic Committee, who are responsible for anything and everything regarding this country's involvement in the Games, did not think diver Alexandre Despatie would win a medal in Beijing.

I know because, while preparing for Metro's coverage of the Olympics a few months ago, I picked the brains of several COC members in an effort to determine who Canadians could count on to garner medals during these Olympics. I took notes, of course, but I assured the members they wouldn't be identified, so they shared their thoughts.

"The obvious medal hopefuls," one of the COC voices told me, "are the men's eight rowing team and (kayaker) Adam van Koeverden. Brent Hayden is a world-class swimmer and we think he has a great chance, too. And we think Tyler Christopher has a shot in track."

"What about Despatie?" I asked. "He's a world champion."

"We don't think he can overcome his injury problems," came the reply. "He was probably our best bet before he got hurt, but we don't like his chances now."

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So see what the COC saw?

It was bang-on about the men's eight and probably will be by the time van Koeverden is done this week, but Hayden and Christopher came up short.

And despite a foot injury and back problems, Despatie finished second yesterday in the men's three-metre springboard in Beijing.

"I could sense people gave up on me," the 23-year-old Quebecer said. "I knew what they were thinking and I might have had the same opinion about myself if I didn't know myself so well. I knew I could bounce back."

Despatie fractured his right foot in April after kicking, of all things, a soccer ball. That caused him to miss seven weeks of training and prevented him from attending the Olympic diving trials. He qualified for the Olympics in early July, only after attending the Canadian junior national championships and proving his fitness to a panel of judges.

"I had to prove a lot to many people, but I never gave up hope on myself," Despatie said. "And as far as I'm concerned, my silver medal is gold to me, because of all the bad things that happened to me this year."

Despatie's silver is one of 13 Canadian medals in Beijing, surpassing the 12 our nation won in Athens in 2004. There are more to come — van Koeverden almost certainly will ensure that — and, as the 2008 Olympics wind down, Canada's athletes really aren't doing too terribly.

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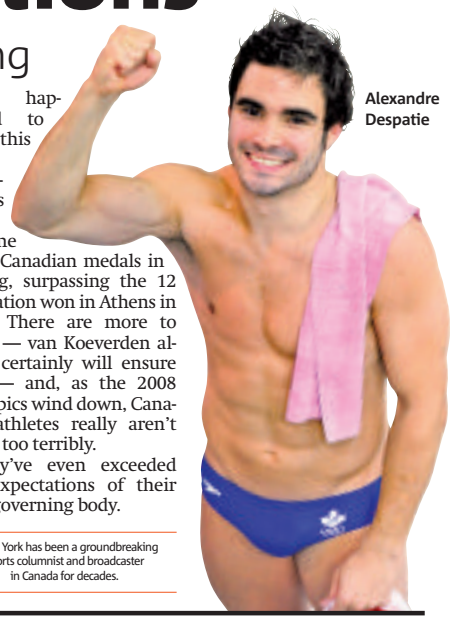

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Whitfield, Burnett battle way to silver

This was more prize fight than triathlon race, an epic battle where Canada's Simon Whitfield kept getting off the canvas when it looked like they'd be counting him out.

Whitfield delivered a race for the ages in Beijing yesterday, one where he left every ounce on the course, manufacturing a silver medal as good as gold by using smarts, fitness and mental toughness.

Remarkably, eight years after he was the fresh-faced kid who knocked off the world at the Sydney Games, he's proved once again he remains solidly among the sport's elite, missing the gold medal by just five seconds behind German Jan Frodeno.

The question that remains is: Could he possibly keep it up through the 2012 London Olympics when he'll be 37?

"Oh, definitely. I love this," he said. "I just love doing it. We have to find more balance in our lives, with my wife's priorities and what's important to her, time for our daughter, but I want to bring (daughter) Pippa and whoever else comes along to London. I love doing this. I will have a hard time retiring."

SHAUN BOTTERILL/GETTY IMAGES

Victoria's Simon Whitfield fell back to fourth with just less than two kilometres to go in the men's triathlon yesterday in Beijing, but dug deep to battle back to win the silver medal.

Also yesterday in Beijing, Toronto's Jason Burnett pulled off a 16.8 degree of difficulty in his 10-trick routine for the hardest program in the men's trampoline field, but was forced to settle for silver behind China's Lu Chunlong.

Burnett was over the moon about his silver medal.

"That rocks! That was awesome!" Burnett crowed after climbing down from the second-step podium.

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Photo finish nets medal for Lopes-Schliep

ATHLETICS Canadian Priscilla Lopes-Schliep won bronze in the women's 100-metre hurdles yesterday at the Beijing Olympics in a photo finish.

Dawn Harper of the United States raced to the gold in 12.54 seconds, but there was no clear silver or bronze winners among a group of four women who trailed her.

After a couple minutes wait, Australia's Sally McLellan was awarded silver and Lopes-Schliep, a native of Whitby, Ont., took bronze with the same time of 12.64.

Lopes-Schliep's medal is Canada's first Olympic athletics medal since the 1996 Atlanta Games.

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Medal count

Rank	Nation				Total
#1	U.S.	26	26	27	79
#2	China	43	14	19	76
#3	Russia	10	14	18	42
#4	Australia	11	12	12	35
#5	Britain	16	9	8	33
#6	France	4	11	14	29
#7	Germany	11	8	9	28
#8	South Korea	8	10	6	24
#9	Japan	8	6	8	22
#10	Italy	6	6	7	19
#11	Ukraine	5	4	8	17
#12	Netherlands	4	5	4	13
#13	Canada	2	6	5	13

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VW's tempting Tiguan

Cute-ute has built-in style

VW's Tiguan is aimed squarely at CUV competitors such as Honda and Toyota.

MARK ATKINSON
for Metro Canada

Based on the same platform that underpins the Rabbit and Jetta, Volkswagen's Tiguan is a compact five-passenger crossover aimed squarely at Honda's CR-V, the Nissan Rogue and Toyota's RAV4.

Size-wise, the "Tig" is actually quite compact, looking smaller than a CR-V. Blacked-out door pillars help lend a sporty theme to its smart styling, while all models come with a small roof spoiler and front fog lamps.

Inside, the styling takes a bit of a turn away from previous VW efforts by using circular vents, knobs and other controls rather than the squared-off look in the company's Passat, Jetta and Touareg models. Material use is class leading as well, with good ergonomics and plenty of useful storage spots. Even the front passenger seat folds flat to accommodate long items.

As with the conventions set with the rest of the Volkswagen lineup, there are three versions of the Tiguan: Trendline, Comfortline and Highline.

Trendline is the only version available with a six-speed manual transmission and/or front-wheel-drive, and starts at $27,575. It's well-equipped with power everything, heated mirrors, 16-inch wheels, 40/20/20 split folding/sliding rear seats, eight-way adjustable front seats, audio auxiliary input, climate control, cruise control, an electronic parking brake and floor mats. Adding the six-speed automatic hikes the price to $28,975, while opting for the 4Motion (all-wheel-drive) model takes the total to $30,975.

Next up is the Comfortline, which at $33,975 includes upgrades like 17-inch wheels, power driver's seat, black roof rails, heated front seats and washer nozzles, leather-wrapped steering wheel and shift knob, trip computer, snazzier cloth seating, panoramic sunroof and privacy glass.

The loaded $38,375 Highline brings 18-inch wheels, 12-way power seats with memory, auto-dimming interior mirror, automatic bi-xenon headlights, more bright trim, dual-zone climate control, leather seats and more.

Under the hood is VW's familiar 2.0-litre, turbocharged, four-cylinder with a 200-horsepower output. Fuel economy is decent as well: 11.6 L/100 km city and 8.3 L/100 km highway.

The Tiguan's suspension follows its Rabbit/Jetta platform mates, delivering a good balance between athletic reactions and quiet isolation with decent reflexes when needed.

2008 VW Tiguan

Type: Compact 5-pass. SUV FWD
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Torque: 206 @ 1,700 rpm

Highlights

- Style and substance in a tidy package
- Power output
- All-wheel drive available
- Athletic reactions
- Standard safety equipment

Driver fatigue called 'silent killer' on road

Driving safety experts call driver fatigue a silent killer and, in a sense, that is just what it is.

Fatigue operates in much the same way as alcohol. Drivers who are slightly tired won't drive as well or as safely as those who are alert. As tiredness increases, mental and physical performance drops until eventually the driver falls asleep.

Research suggests that one in five highway crashes are related to driver fatigue, although statistics are limited: Drivers who are tired are seldom willing to admit it and those who crash can be too badly injured to recall the events leading to the collision. But it is clear there are far too many crashes arising from driver fatigue.

Staying alert

- Although fatigue is unavoidable, especially on long road trips, there are a number of simple steps you can take to reduce the problem:
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Witnessing extreme acts of faith

For the uninitiated, self-harm in the name of religion can be hard to grasp

A dozen spiritual leaders sit in a neat row. Heads wrapped in green fabric, they chant in harmony; their palms drum faster on tambourines and the music grows more intense. I know what lies ahead and I'm worried.

I'm attending a lesser-known event that happens in the recesses of the Kataragama festival, a two-week long holy gathering in Sri Lanka that attracts 100,000 Hindu, Buddhist and Muslim pilgrims. Devotees, many of whom travel for weeks to get to this auspicious city, have come to worship and perform acts of self-mutilation.

"This is one of those random travel moments when I have to ask myself, 'Is this really happening?'"

Seated in a semi-circle among the crowd, I watch as a man with a long grey beard and a white sarong wrapped around his waist steps up. He starts dancing around, slowly working himself into a trance.

Next to a few sticks of burning incense, I see a set of tools, like something out of a medieval torturer's handbook. He reaches for them, preparing to do the unfathomable. I recoil as he takes a knife and hammers it into his own skull. To the worshippers, this a chance to prove their complete devotion to God.

The drums beat faster. The man, unfazed by the knife poking out of his head, reaches for a second knife. He hammers the sharp end in with a small rock. The pain must be excruciating, but in this trance-like state of mind, he appears to feel nothing.

He dances around, with two knives sticking out of his head. I watch transfixed. This is one of those random travel moments when I have to ask myself, "Is this really happening?"

A succession of people get up to perform a variety of gut-wrenching acts. One man's cheek is piecred and nailed to a nearby palm tree; another man cuts his own tongue. Then a young boy who looks about 13 is pulled from the crowd. He calmly offers his arm, which is pierced with a long metallic shard.

I'm not particularly religious, and I find it hard to understand why people would do these things to themselves. I learn that there can be a variety of reasons for such acts — voluntary self-punishment, proclamation of faith and proof of invincibility among them. It seems that around the world, across many major faiths and throughout history, self-mutilation for religious purposes is a recurring theme.

An eye-opening experience, for certain.

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Entertainment

Sleeper for Tom

Tom Cruise is striking while the Iron Man (and Batman) are hot, eyeing a comic-book adaptation of his own. According to the Hollywood Reporter, Cruise will develop DC Comics' Sleeper. **E! ONLINE**

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The Rocker never really gets rolling

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The Rocker

Director: Peter Cattaneo
Stars: Rainn Wilson, Josh Gad
Classification: PG-13
Rating:

REVIEW The Rocker isn't exactly a detestable knockoff of The School of Rock, but it's about as original, and as funny, as a Yesterday cover.

Rainn Wilson plays Fish, a 1980s hair metal drummer axed from his band just before they hit superstardom. He gets his second chance some 20 years later drumming for his teen nephew's (Josh Gad) alt-rock group, after a clip of Fish rehearsing in the buff makes its way on the Internet, propelling the band to superstardom.

It's a recycled premise and the story arcs play out to formula: Burnt-out, heavy metal man-child brings nebbish, insecure kids out of their shells by educating them about the greatness of the rock gods who trod the paths currently before them, while he gains a sense of parental responsibility as the exchanges progress.

The Peter Cattaneo-directed (The Full Monty) film is far too sterilized for the Hannah Montana-tween audiences to gain the momentum needed for any real laughs, and the script doesn't play to Wilson's ironic and cerebral comedic strengths. He doesn't have Jack Black's wild-child rock n' roll mojo which made his 2003 comedy The School of Rock a success.

Rainn Wilson stars in The Rocker.

Maybe we're just too accustomed to Wilson's stellar and anal-retentive buffoonery as The Office's Dwight Schrute, but lines like, "I'm going to be responsible … for partying 'til my nuts catch fire!" never seem to go over the way they should.

The film does have its bright lights. Saturday Night Live's Jason Sudeikis plays the sleazebag manager to a tee. Will Arnett, so adept at the role of the heavy, shines once again as the pretentious and corrupt airhead lead singer of the band that exiled Fish so many moons ago.

That said, The Rocker feels like the kind of skit SNL runs after 12:30 a.m., the one that gets moderate chuckles within its first few minutes but wears out its welcome all too quickly.

In short: Ho ho ho … blah.

MELINDA SUE GORDON/MPS/FOR METRO TORONTO

Kat Dennings, from left, Anna Faris, Katharine McPhee, Emma Stone and Rumer Willis star in The House Bunny. Willis is the daughter of Hollywood icons Bruce Willis and Demi Moore.

Showbiz tough for celebs' kids

STEVE GOW
for Metro Canada

In The House Bunny, Rumer Willis plays a socially awkward sorority girl in a backbrace. Oddly enough, it was the ideal part for the young actress to launch her career.

"I was a big dork," admits Willis recently in L.A. "I just wasn't necessarily too active in really getting into the social crowd so I definitely understood the (idea of) not fitting in."

Rumer Willis may prove the exception to the rule. You see, she's the daughter of Hollywood icons Demi Moore and Bruce Willis — an esteemed lineage that naturally breeds instant popularity, fame and an entitled acting career, doesn't it?

Not necessarily. While huge stars like Angelina Jolie, Ben Stiller, Kate Hudson and Miley Cyrus belong to what writer Gary Susman once described as a "hereditary aristocracy," being born to famous parents doesn't guarantee Hollywood fame.

Though, it does open doors: Casting director Billy Hopkins once admitted that if a celebrity's kid wants to act, "of course you will meet them."

It's a technical advantage that doesn't ensure a career. We all know Martin Sheen's sons Charlie and Emilio Estevez, but you probably aren't familiar with their sibling Ramon Estevez unless you've rented a stinker titled Alligator II: The Mutation.

Many celebrities' kids don't succeed in showbiz because they're also not willing to do the work. As Willis discovered making The House Bunny (which also stars Tom Hanks' son, Colin), being around a film set is not the same as filmmaking.

"I grew up around sets when I was younger but I was never necessarily in the movies," says Willis. "I'd just kind of sit in the trailer and hang out."

"There's a definite shift in your mindset when you go from being the accessory and then to being the one who's in front of the camera."

Avril too sexy for Malaysia

An Avril Lavigne, right, concert scheduled for later this month in Malaysia has been cancelled amid complaints that the show by the Canadian rock singer is "too sexy." METRO NEWS SERVICES

Milwaukee erects bronze Fonz

IntelleVision

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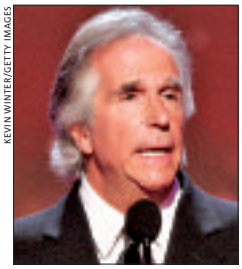

KEVIN WINTER/GETTY IMAGES

A life-size monument of Henry Winkler ("The Fonz") is the latest in a trend of commemorative TV show statues.

FONZ IN BRONZE: I don't think I'm alone in thinking that there's something a bit sad about the commemorative statues to long-gone TV shows being erected by the cities in which they were putatively set. Every year a new one is dedicated, and this week Milwaukee got its own, to join the memorials to prime time past in cities like Minneapolis, Chicago, New York, Salem, Mass and Raleigh, NC, dedicated to the posterity of TV characters such as Mary Richards, Dr. Robert Hartley, Ralph Kramden, Samantha Stephens and Sherriff Andy Taylor.

If you don't recognize any of those names, don't worry — these bronze likenesses aren't meant for you, but for those fervent souls who will put a detour in their weekend, or even their vacation, to travel to the street corner where they're on display, to beg passersby to take a quick snap of them throwing their knitted hat in the air. The keen of eye will notice that they all celebrate shows that were popular from the '50s to the '70s — the heyday of boomer primetime pop culture.

Toronto has its own TV memorial to Al Waxman, the man who played Larry King on The King Of Kensington. The statue is in Kensington Market, appropriately, though it's of Waxman as himself, and not in character. It's also unique in that the show it commemorates was actually filmed in the same city where it was set, unlike every other TV memorial, including the newest to Henry Winkler as Arthur "The Fonz" Fonzarelli from ABC's Happy Days.

Milwaukee's media were out in force to cover the unveiling, with no less than three columns in the Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel on the significance of the life-sized (5'6" — Winkler is not a giant) statue of The Fonz, thumbs up as he delivered his trademark catchphrase. (I won't repeat it here — ask your dad). TV columnist Tim Cuprisin wondered about the local inspirations for Arnold's Drive-In and the all-American Cunningham family, while Jim Stingl followed around cast members as they visited local points of interest (the MillerCoors brewery, the Harley-Davidson museum).

Eugene Cane got the bleaker task of comparing the bygone setting of the show (the late '50s, theoretically, though by the end of its 11-season run it was set in some temporal no-man's land) with the grimmer realities of Milwaukee today. "Nobody worried Joanie would come home pregnant because girls her age didn't get pregnant," Cane wrote. "The Cunninghams lived in the city, not the suburbs, and they were proud of it." Sorry to quibble, but girls Joanie's age did get pregnant back then — I'm living proof of that. Milwaukee's ownership of Happy Days with its bronze Fonz is touching, but the show was only barely about Milwaukee, and more about the first stages of boomer nostalgia for the comfortable home life their generation's leading lights had so noisily rejected mere years before.

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critics' corner

Supernatural

It's only a TV show — yeah, right. Sam and Dean (Jared Padalecki, Jensen Ackles) become contestants on a reality television show that investigates paranormal events. But this is a bit too real; on a visit to a haunted mansion, several members of the brothers' team meet some very gruesome ends. A.J. Buckley, Travis Wester and Dustin Milligan guest star in "Ghostfacers." 10 PM on 50 SPC

Wife Swap

Lots of kids would love to trade places with the Gillette children, whose parents are third-generation carnival workers. All the rides and midway treats they can stand, plus the chance to see the country. But Karen, the micromanaging mom who joins the family in this episode, isn't so thrilled. And her carnie counterpart can't believe how hectic and leisure-impaired Karen's family life is. They've both got something to learn from this. 8 PM on 6 SHR

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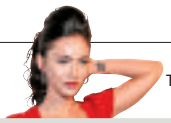

Fox happy in the sun

Transformers star Megan Fox is sure to upset cancer experts and dermatologists — by insisting the sun and sea work wonders for her. She says, "I find that being out in the sun is better for you than people think." IMDB.COM

Celebrity Buzz

Mom inspired cancer battle: Applegate

SURVIVOR Actress Christina Applegate knew she would survive breast cancer — because she watched her own mother battle with the disease for years, imdb.com reports.

The 36-year-old star underwent a double mastectomy following her diagnosis with the deadly illness last month — leaving her "clear" of any tumours.

And she insists her mother Nancy — a two-time breast cancer survivor — was her saviour throughout the battle.

She says, "I watched (my mother) have a mastectomy, and then I watched her go through two years of chemotherapy and eight surgeries and a hysterectomy. I've watched this woman survive ... so for me there was always that sense I was going to be okay, no matter what.

"I really love living and I really love my life and I knew from this moment on there was only going to be good that was going to be coming.

"Yeah, I'm going to face challenges, but you can't get any darker than where I've been. So just knowing that in my soul gave me the strength to just say I have to get out there and make this a positive."

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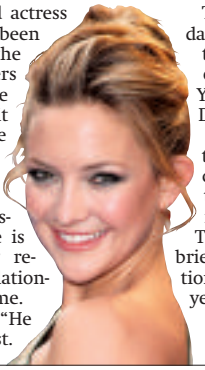
Kate running to Owen?

RELATIONSHIPS Kate Hudson is reportedly trying to reconcile with Owen Wilson, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The Fool's Gold actress is said to have been bombarding the Wedding Crashers star with phone calls since her split from cyclist Lance Armstrong last month, and although her old flame initially wasn't interested, he is now considering rebuilding their relationship for a third time.

A source said: "He was frosty at first. He felt betrayed when she dumped him for his friend Lance. But after a while, he caved in and has been sweet to her."



The pair first dated in 2006 after meeting on the set of You, Me and Dupree.

Owen attempted suicide soon after their break-up in June 2007. They enjoyed a brief reconciliation earlier this year.

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celebrity brief

Kanye's crush? Sexy Scarlett

IMAGE Kanye West is a proud fan of Scarlett Johansson, usmaga zine.com reports. The rapper posted a blog on his official site entitled "MY FAVORITE WHITE GIRL!!!!!!!" that consists of her name and dozens of photos of her — scantily-clad.

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celebrity brief

Aniston wasn't dumped: Pal

RELATIONSHIPS Apparently, John Mayer angered Jennifer Aniston's pals when he told photographers over the weekend that he "ended" the relationship. "He's acting like a spoiled child," an Aniston pal snipped to MSNBC's Courtney Hazlett. "Expect Jen to behave like a lady." (Incidentally, the source adds, "it's she who ended the relationship.")

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Paris' rep denies boob job

RUMOUR Paris Hilton has slammed reports she has undergone plastic surgery to enhance the size of her breasts, imdb.com reports.

The hotel heiress — who once flaunted her petite A-cups on the cover of U.S. magazine Vanity Fair — sparked rumours she has had breast implants after she was recently photographed with a noticeably larger chest.

But a spokesperson for Hilton insists she hasn't had her breasts surgically altered, crediting "a prototype from her Paris Hilton 'push-up' bra line" for the star's enlarged cleavage. The representative adds: "Paris has never had plastic surgery." METRO NEWS SERVICES

celebrity brief

Britney owes hefty lawyer fees

DIVORCES Who said getting back on track was cheap? Stacy Phillips, one of the members of Britney Spears' legal team, has filed a declaration in Los Angeles Superior Court saying the songstress owes Sometimes I Run $338,414.87 to Phillips, eonline.com reports. There are rumours of a lawsuit in the works because Spears' camp is objecting to the hefty sum.

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"This makes no sense at all..."

by Joe O'Neill

Obviously **Megan Fox** is one to shy away from speaking her mind on controversial subjects. She has revealed that she likes the sun! Also on her list of 'turn-ons' are food, oxygen, shelter, and walking erect.

If **Britney Spears** thinks her legal fees are too high, she has only herself to blame. She should have represented herself in court, like **K-Fed** did. Apparently his rap version of Inherit the Wind really swung the custody battle his way.

Will **Kate Hudson** and **Owen Wilson** be third time lucky? You know, there's an unwritten law about not trying to get back with someone who once attempted suicide when you broke up with them before. Of course, the fact that it's unwritten may explain why **Kate Hudson** hasn't read it. That's why I'm writing it now: Step away from the tousle-haired manchild, harlot, if he dies **Ben Stiller**'s movies will become even less funny than they already are.

The aftermath of the Anisyer break up is taking up more time than the actual relationship did, with both **Jennifer Aniston** and **John Mayer** giving conflicting reports as to who did the dumping. It all seemed vaguely familiar to me somehow .. This happened, over and over again, when we were all in Grade 7. There's the bell, recess is over.

Actress denies ruining Rock's marriage

RUMOURS Ray star Kerry Washington is laughing off reports she wrecked Chris Rock's marriage, insisting the comedian and his wife are still very much together, imdb.com reports.

The actress claims many people "bought the hype" when Washington played a home wrecker in Rock's movie I Think I Love My Wife, but she never had a real romance with the comic.

Washington says, "First of all, Chris Rock is still married. And his wife picked out a beautiful gift for me after we finished shooting: a Marc Jacobs purse... It was only a movie."

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Sienna doesn't deserve a song, ex-lover says

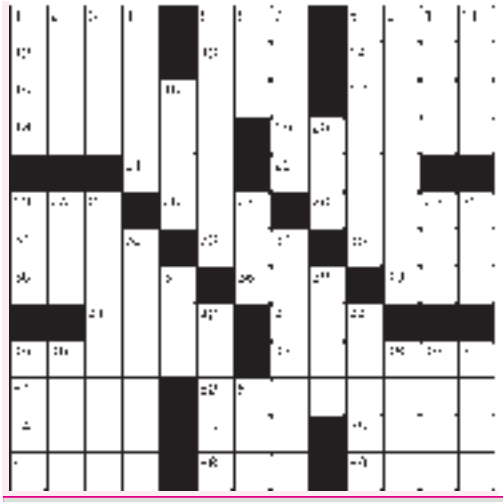
HEARTBREAK Actor/musician Rhys Ifans has refused to write about his break up with Sienna Miller on his band's new album — because she "doesn't deserve" a song, imdb.com reports.

The Alfie star ended their year-long relationship in June and has reportedly been dating married actor Balthazar Getty.

And Ifans, who sings with Welsh rock band The Peth, denies his track Stonefinger from new album, The Golden Mile, was dedicated to Miller, insisting it was written about a previous love. He says, "Jesus Christ, no. She doesn't deserve a f**king song, that one." METRO NEWS SERVICES

Watchmen in trouble
Film studio Twentieth Century Fox has applied to block the release of Watchmen, based on the comic books written by Alan Moore. Fox, which says it bought film rights to the series in the 1980s, has been given the go-ahead to launch an injunction against rival Warner Bros. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Take Five



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24 Joan of —
25 Big name in aircraft
27 Symbol of intrigue
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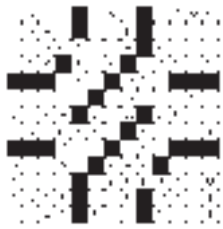

This day in history

AUG. 20, 1940: Exiled Russian revolutionary Leon Trotsky is fatally wounded in Mexico City by an assassin's ice axe. He dies the next day.
AUG. 20, 1953: The Soviet Union publicly acknowledged it had tested a hydrogen bomb.
AUG. 20, 1969: All four Beatles were together in the recording studio for the final time as they finished the Abbey Road LP.
AUG. 20, 1986: In Edmond, Okla., U.S. Postal employee Patrick Sherrill guns down 14 of his co-workers and then commits suicide.
AUG. 20, 1998: The Supreme Court of Canada states Quebec cannot legally secede from Canada without the federal government's approval. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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GEMINI
MAY 22-JUNE 21
A careless person makes another blunder. A woman's deceit baffles everyone. Be courageous in defining your boundaries.

CANCER
JUNE 22-JULY 22
Women will involve you in an uncertain situation. You'll be a happy island in a sea of gloom. Consult a legal expert about a dispute.

LEO
JULY 23-AUG 23
Your animal magnetism is at a high point. Something precious is coming your way. Don't put too much stock in a tricky scheme.

VIRGO
AUG 24-SEPT 22
Sympathy is given after a speech about liberty. Make it easier for someone to take you seriously. Say goodbye to childish things.

LIBRA
SEPT 23-OCT 23
Make the best decision for everyone. Therapy is necessary for someone in crisis. A distress signal shouldn't be ignored.

SCORPIO
OCT 24- NOV 22
Get rid of things that you don't need. Make space in your agenda for new ventures. Help someone to deal with reality.

SAGITTARIUS
NOV 23- DEC 21
Remarkable news is overheard. Obstacles will contribute to better problem solving. A hearty person's hasty words will lead to grief.

CAPRICORN
DEC 22-JAN 20
A scathing remark from a friend causes disquiet. Pay attention to alarms. Frustration results from interference.

AQUARIUS
JAN 21-FEB 18
A special friend has good times in mind. Show someone your true colours. Get inspiration from a smart man.

PISCES
FEB 19-MAR 20
The truth comes out after a mysterious encounter. Comments will fly fast and furiously. Do your best with a dull task.

Sudoku

	9		5		2		1	
		6	1		3	2		
	2	1				9	6	
			9		8			
4								2
			3		7			
	7	5				4	9	
		4	7		5	6		
	8		4		9		7	

HOW TO PLAY SUDOKU:
The digits 1 through 9 will appear exactly once in each row, each column, and each zone. (A zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine of these zones in the puzzle.) Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same 3x3 zone, or in the same row across the puzzle, or column down the puzzle.

previous day's answer

7	4	8	2	9	1	5	6	3
2	3	6	4	8	5	9	7	1
1	5	9	6	3	7	8	2	4
4	6	2	9	5	8	1	3	7
5	8	1	7	4	3	6	9	2
3	9	7	1	2	6	4	8	5
6	7	4	3	1	9	2	5	8
8	1	3	5	6	2	7	4	9
9	2	5	8	7	4	3	1	6

SUDOKU SOLVE TIME IN MINUTES:
Under 13. . . . . Genius
13-17 . . . . . Scholar
17-21. . . . . Smart
21-25. . . . . Not bad
25+ . . . . . Keep practising
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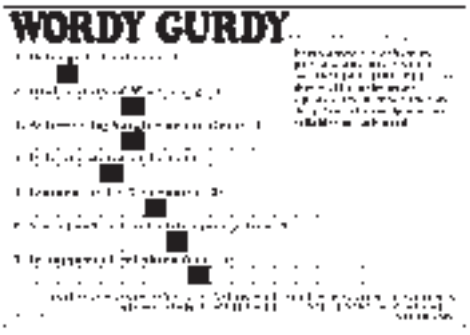

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Afternoon	Tonight	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Mainly sunny. 21°	Clear. 13°	Sunny. 25°/ 10°	Partly cloudy. 26°/ 16°	Partly cloudy. 27°/ 19°

Temperature Normals
High: 24.6°
Low: 12.9°

Records
High: 32.8°/1955
Low: 5.6°/1953

Sunrise: 6:10 a.m.
Sunset: 8:00 p.m.
Moonset: 10:28 a.m.
Moonrise: 9:22 p.m.

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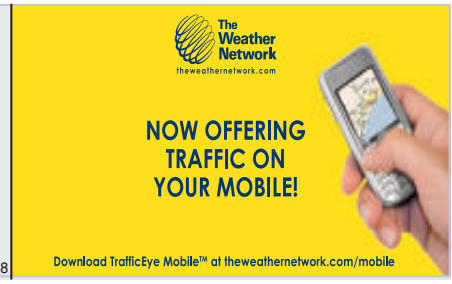

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